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SUBJ: FEEDLOT INVESTMENT

REF: STATE 197858; HENDERSON/FORBORD TELCON
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1. HAVE DISCUSSED FEEDLOTS WITH BEN GAKONYO OF ADC. ITALIAN INTEREST IS SALE OF MACHINERY FOR NEW FEEDLOT ADC CONSIDERING. THIS FEEDLOT WOULD BE TO HANDLE BABY BEEF FOR VEAL PRODUCTION. PROJECT AT DISCUSSION STAGE AND ITALIANS HAVE EXPRESSED NO INTEREST EQUITY PARTICIPATION; THEREFORE, NO URGENCY ON THIS PROJECT.

2. GAKONYO AT FIRST SAID ADC HAS NO RPT NO INTEREST TAKING NEW PARTNERS IN TWO EXISTING FEEDLOTS. ADC HAS ALREADY REJECTED PARTNERSHIP PROPOSAL BY BRITISH GROUP.

3. WHEN PRESSED, GAKONYO SAID ADC WOULD CONSIDER EDWARD'S PROPOSAL IF MAJOR EXPANSION OF EXISTING FEEDLOTS FEASIBLE. GAKONYO DOUBTS FEASIBILITY EXPANSION: LANET (NAKURU) FEEDLOT HAS 2,000 HEAD
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CAPACITY AT PRESENT AND, ALTHOUGH ADDITIONAL SPACE

AVAILABLE FOR PHYSICAL EXPANSION, ADDITIONAL FEED
IS NOT AVAILABLE; KITALE FEEDLOT HAS 3,000 HEAD
CAPACITY BUT CATTLE FROM FEEDLOT SUFFER TOO GREAT
WEIGHT LOSS DURING TRANSPORTATION TO ATHI RIVER
ABATTOIR NEAR NAIROBI TO JUSTIFY INCREASING CAPACITY.

4. IF EDWARDS FEELS EXPANSION FEASIBLE THROUGH
TECHNIQUES NOT PRESENTLY KNOWN TO KENYANS, GAKONYO
WOULD BE MOST INTERESTED DISCUSSING PROPOSAL WITH
EDWARDS. IF MAJOR EXPANSION UNDERTAKEN, ADC WOULD
CONSIDER PARTNERSHIP.
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